

Message Text

PAGE 01 NATO 01986 01 OF 02 061504Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 PM-04 INR-07 L-03 ACDA-07
NSAE-00 PA-01 SS-15 PRS-01 SP-02 USIA-06 TRSE-00
NSC-05 OIC-02 EB-08 MC-02 /076 W
-----061703Z 084997 /43

R 061425Z APR 77
FM USMISSION NATO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2696
SECDEF WASHDC
INFO HQDA WASHDC
CSAF WASHDC
CNO WASHDC

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 1 OF 2 USNATO 1986

SECDEF FOR ODDR&E, OASD(I&L) AND (ISA). DA FOR DAMA-PPL.
CSAF FOR RDI. CNO FOR OP-098F.

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OCON, NATO, MILI
SUBJECT: NADREPS MEETING APRIL 4, 1977

REF: A) AC/259 A-19, MAR 22, 1977. B) DRAFT AC/259-D/...,
UNDATED, FOLLOW-ON ACTION ON ANTI-ARMOUR WARFARE. (C) SHAPE
STUDY - DEFENCE AGAINST ARMOUR IN THE CENTRAL REGION AND
DENMARK: AN ASSESSMENT, 14 MAR 1977. D) STATE 073570,
DTG 022213Z APR 77. E) STATE 067699 DTG 260406Z MAR 77.
F) USNATO 1637 DTG 231040Z MAR 77.

SUMMARY: NADREPS MET ON APRIL 4, 1977, DISCUSSED AWACS,
CONDUCT OF APRIL CNAD, ANTI-ARMOUR, WORKING GROUP ON
INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY, TRI-SERVICE GROUP ON COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS, AND GROUP OF NATIONAL DIRECTORS ON MATERIEL
STANDARIZATION. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE BY
APRIL 15 ON AWACS HLG REPORTING PROCEDURE (PARA 2), AND BY MAY
5 ON NAFAG CHAIRMANSHIP (PARA 8). ALL
CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 NATO 01986 01 OF 02 061504Z

OTHER GUIDANCE REQUIRED REQUESTED SEPTEL. END SUMMARY.

1. NADREPS MET ON APRIL 4, 1977. ASYG(DS) LABERGE
CHAired THE MEETING. SUMMARY OF DISCUSSINS FOLLOWS.

2. AWACS. LABERGE REVIEWED THE SITUATION, AND OUTLINED
THE FUTURE PLAN WHICH NOW INCLUDES PREPARING AN ALTER-
NATIVE COURSE WITHIN A MONTH, FOLLOWING WITH A FINANCIAL
EXPERTS MEETING. (DETAILS
REPORTED SEPTEL.). LABERGE, TO END BURGEONING DISCUS-

SION, SAID HE DID NOT THINK THE NADREP FORUM WAS THE APPROPRIATE PLACE FOR AWACS DELIBERATIONS. THE NETHERLANDS REP TOOK EXCEPTION, NOTING THAT THE HIGH LEVEL GROUP (HGL) ON NATO AEW IS A BODY UNDER THE CNAD. THE CANADIAN REP SUGGESTED THAT NOW WAS THE TIME TO CHANGE THAT AND HAVE THE HLG REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE COUNCIL BECAUSE NATO AEW WAS, IN FACT, A POLITICAL ISSUE. LABERGE SAID HE WOULD CONSIDER THE CANADIAN SUGGESTIONS, BUT WAS NOT SURE THAT HAVING THE HLG REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE COUNCIL WAS A BETTER COURSE, AND HE ASKED NADREPS TO REQUEST NATIONAL VIEWS. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE BY APR 15 ON WHETHER THE HLG SHOULD REPORT THROUGH THE CNAD OR DIRECTLY TO THE COUNCIL.

3. APRIL CNAD PLANNING.

A. DIRECTOR OF ARMAMENTS AND DEFENCE RESEARCH MUELLER DISTRIBUTED AND BRIEFLY DESCRIBED THE DRAFT REPORT (AC/259-D/569) WHICH SUPPORTS AGENDA ITEM 7(B), REF A "SPECIAL PROBLEMS REQUIRING CNAD ACTION". THIS REPORT, PROVIDED SEPTEL FOR WASHINGTON GUIDANCE, WILL BE FINALIZED AT THE APRIL 18 NADREP MEETING.

B. LABERGE DISTRIBUTED A LIST OF POINTS TO BE RAISED DURING THE RESTRICTED SESSION (AGENDA ITEM 10, REF A). HE PLANS TO DISTRIBUTE A PAPER BY APRIL 8 WHICH BRIEFLY SUMMARIZES EACH ISSUE. THE POINTS, CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 NATO 01986 01 OF 02 061504Z

CATEGORIZED AS LABERGE PLANS TO ADDRESS THEM, FOLLOW:

(1) CATEGORY: "CNAD ORGANIZATION AND ITS IMPROVEMENT"

- FEASIBILITY/PRACTICALITY OF AN OUTSIDE AUDIT OF THE CNAD ORGANIZATION.
- RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CNAD AND THE MAIN GROUPS TO INCLUDE METHOD OF REPORTING.
- GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS ON THE PREPARATION AND CONDUCT OF CNAD MEETINGS.
- STANDARDIZATION AND INTEROPERABILITY ACTIVITIES.

(2) CATEGORY: "PARTICULAR PROGRAMS"

- DEFINITION OF PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES WHICH ASSURE THE RIGHT TO EQUALITY AND THE EXPLOITATION OF EXISTING RESOURCES AND CAPABILITIES OF THE COUNTRIES COLLABORATING IN DEVELOPMENT OF NATO PROJECTS. (ITALY PROPOSED AN AD HOC GROUP TO STUDY THIS PROBLEM. REF: AC/259-N/226, PARAGRAPH 20(F).)
- PROBLEMS CONNECTED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATO PROJECT ON THE "6S" SYSTEM. REF: ANNEX II TO AC/259-D/569.
- TSG ON COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT.

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 NATO 01986 02 OF 02 061537Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 PM-04 INR-07 L-03 ACDA-07
NSAE-00 PA-01 SS-15 PRS-01 SP-02 USIA-06 TRSE-00
NSC-05 OIC-02 EB-08 MC-02 /076 W
-----061702Z 085403 /44

R 061425Z APR 77
FM USMISSION NATO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2697
SECDEF WASHDC
INFO HQDA WASHDC
CSAF WASHDC
CNO WASHDC

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 2 OF 2 USNATO 1986

SECDEF FOR ODDR&E, OASD(I&L) AND (ISA). DAFOR DAMA-PPI.
CSAF FOR RDI. CNO FOR OP-098F.

(3) CATEGORY: "ACTIVITIES UNDERWAY TO ENSURE
STANDARDIZATION OF EQUIPMENT".

- PROCEDURES TO ENSURE ADEQUATE INTEROPER-
ABILITY OF EQUIPMENT.
- PERIODIC ARMAMENTS PLANNING SYSTEM.
- UPDATING EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT SCHEDULES.
- STANDARDIZATION PROPOSALS SUGGESTED IN
PARA 26-33, PO/76/130 REVISED.

C. LABERGE ADVISED THAT A DRAFT OUTLINE OF THE CNAD
REPORT TO THE COUNCIL WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY 12 APRIL 1977.
THE FOLLOWING ARE LIKELY TO BE INCLUDED: ANTI-ARMOR,
FUTURE SAM, AWACS, MAIN BATTLE TANK, STATUS OF STANDARD-
IZATION PROPOSALS IN PO/76/130 (REVISED), PERIODIC
ARMAMENTS PLANNING SYSTEM, AND CNAD ACTIVITIES RESULTING
FRM AC/297 AD HOC COMMITTEE ON INTEROPERABILITY WHICH
INCLUDES COPRODUCTIN AND LICENSING.

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 NATO 01986 02 OF 02 061537Z

4. ANTI-ARMOR. NADREPS ADDRESSED A REDRAFT OF REF B
(PREVIOUS DRAFT HANDCARRIED TO WASHINGTON ON MAR 25,
1977). DISCUSSION CENTERED ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
PRIORITIES, SPECIFICALLY THE WILLINGNESS OF NATO
MILITARY AUTHORITIES TO ESTABLISH NOT ONLY PRIORITIES
FOR STANDARDIZATION, BUT ALSO TO ADDRESS OPERATIONAL
PRIORITIES BY DEFINING REQUIRED MIXES OF ANTI-TANK
WEAPONS AND THE ORDER IN WHICH THE WEAPONS WITHIN THE
MIXES SHOULD BE FIELDDED. THE DISCUSSION LED TO A

PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO THE REDRAFT OF REF B WHICH WAS STILL AT ISSUE ON APRIL 6 AND WHICH WILL BE REPORTED SEPTEL. LABERGE DID STATE HIS INTENTION TO RAISE THE PRIORITY AND MIX ISSUE DURING CNAD. THE IMS HAS NOT YET DECIDED ON WHETHER REF C WILL BE RELEASED TO CNAD.

5. WORKING GROUP ON INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY (AC/94). WE RAISED THE OBJECTIONS TO NARROWING THE TOR FOR AC/94 PER REF B. NADREPS AGREED TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE IN A SMALLER GROUP AT A SPECIAL MEETING ON APRIL 12, 1977 AND AGAIN AT THE APRIL 18 NADREPS MEETING. COMMENT: THE ITEM WAS DEFERRED BECAUSE MOST NADREPS WERE WITHOUT GUIDANCE. END COMMENT.

6. TRI-SERVICE GROUP ON COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT (TSG). AS REPORTED SEPTEL, THE UK TABLED A NEW STATEMENT AGREEING TO TRANSFER PANEL 8 TO THE TSG, PROVIDED THE TSG DOES NOT DEAL WITH SINGLE SERVICE ISSUES AND PROVIDED MAIN GROUPS MAY REQUEST TSG UNDERTAKE TASKS ON THEIR BEHALF. NADREPS DISCUSSED THE ISSUE AT LENGTH WITHOUT RESOLUTION. LABERGE WILL PREPARE A STATUS REPORT FOR CNAD, AND NADREPS WILL DISCUSS THE ISSUE AGAIN ON APRIL 18.

7. GROUP OF NATIONAL DIRECTORS ON MATERIEL STANDARDIZATION (GNDMS). NADREPS DISCUSSED A NEW REVISION OF THE TOR FOR GNDMS.

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 NATO 01986 02 OF 02 061537Z

A. THE US COMMENTS PROVIDED BY REF E WERE ACCOMMODATED AND THE DRAFT REPORTED BY REF B WAS EDITORIALY CHANGED. WE WILL PROVIDE THE FINAL VERSION FOR WASHINGTON REVIEW AS SOON AS IT IS DISTRIBUTED. (IS PREDICTS APRIL 8 DISTRIBUTION.)

B. DURING THE DISCUSSION, THE BELGIAN REP AGAIN RAISED BELGIUM'S RESERVATION IN PRINCIPLE ON CREATING THE GNDMS. THE FRG REP, CITING HIS INSTRUCTIONS TO AGREE WITH GNDMS ONLY IF ALL OTHER NATIONS DID SO, ASKED THE BELGIAN REP WHETHER HIS STATEMENT WAS A YES OR NO. THE BELGIAN REP REPLIED THAT IT WAS NEITHER. COMMENT. ALTHOUGH ON SHAKY GROUND, WE BELIEVE GNDMS WILL GET UNDERWAY IF THE FORTHCOMING REVISED TOR PROVES ACCEPTABLE. IN THIS REGARD, WE SUGGEST WASHINGTON ACCEPT THE REVISED TOR AS WRITTEN IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. END COMMENT.

8. OTHER BUSINESS. THE UK REP ANNOUNCED THAT AIR MARSHAL NICHOLS WAS PROMOTED AND CAN NO LONGER SERVE AS CHAIRMAN OF THE NAFAG. THE IS HEAD OF AIR ARMAMENTS SECTION BROWN INFORMED US ON APRIL 6 THAT THE US IS NEXT IN LINE FOR THE NAFAG CHAIR. BROWN DESIRES TO ANNOUNCE SIMULTANEOUSLY NICHOLS' DEPARTURE AND US ACCEPTANCE OF

THE CHAIR. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE BY MAY
5 ON WHETHER US WILL PROVIDE CHAIRMAN FOR NEXT FOUR SEMI-
ANNUAL NAFAG MEETINGS.STRAUSZ-HUPE

CONFIDENTIAL

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 30-Aug-1999 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 06-Apr-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977NATO01986
Document Source: ADS
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: 11652 GDS
Errors: n/a
Expiration:
Film Number: n/a
Format: TEL
From: NATO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t197704102/baaabcug.tel
Line Count: 223
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Message ID: aef5b39b-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 5
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A) AC/259 A-19, MAR 22, 1977. B) DRAFT AC/259-D/..., UNDATED, FOLLOW-ON ACTION ON ANTI-ARMOUR WARFARE. (C) SHAPE STUDY - DEFENCE AGAINST ARMOUR IN THE CENTRAL REGION AND DENMARK: AN ASSESSMENT, 14 MAR 1977. D) STATE 073570, DTG 022213Z APR 77. E) STATE 067699 DTG 260406Z MAR 77. F)
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 04-Oct-2004 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2665196
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: NADREPS MEETING APRIL 4, 1977
TAGS: OCON, NATO, MILI
To: STATE SECDEF MULTIPLE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/aef5b39b-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

